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Prior to 16 February 1953, the Wustrow AAA firing range was occupied by only a guard detail, which was under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Zapozhnikov (fnu). At about 5 a.m. on 17 February, vehicles were observed passing through Rerik, proceeding to the AAA firing range. The bakery received a considerable amount of briquettes. The bread which, prior to 16 February, had been picked up by horse-drawn vehicles, was picked up by trucks [redacted] On 14 February, truck [redacted] hauled dummy targets from the construction site to the firing range. On the 16 February, trucks [redacted] occupied by soldiers wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets, were seen en route to the firing range. Source heard reports of guns, probably heavy AA guns, between 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. on 17 February. He did not observe towed-sleeve targets. Between 10 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. on 18 February, source heard similar firing. A number of craftsmen received orders for major work at the firing range. An electric firm had a contract worth 30,000 eastmarks.

[redacted] Comment. As in 1952, training activity at the Wustrow AAA firing range started in the second half of February. [redacted]

[redacted] Lieutenant Colonel Zapozhnikov (fnu) was also reported as commanding officer of the detail stationed at the firing range by another source.